



AmeriCorps Fact Sheet

Is your community in need of high-quality out-of-school time programming? Idaho 4-H and AmeriCorps are partnering to deliver out-of-school programs to your county.

We are currently looking for sponsors for the 2020-2021 program year to host AmeriCorps Members in one of three positions:

- Full-time= 1700 hrs
- Half-time= 900 hrs
- Quarter-time working in full-time capacity (Summer Only) = 450 hrs

Term: Two different term options:

- September 8, 2020-August 31, 2021 (full-time and half-time positions)
- May 2021-August 2021 (summer only)

Hours:

Capacity	Minimum # Hrs	Weekly Avg.
Full-time	1700	35 hrs/wk (50 weeks)
Half-time	900	18-20 hrs/wk (50 weeks)
Quarter-time Summer	450	38 hrs/wk (12 weeks) summer

Benefits:

Slot (# Hours)	Member Living Allowance (Taxable*)	Segal Education Award (Taxable*)
Full- time (1700 Hours)	\$14,279	\$6,195
Half- time (900 Hours)	\$6,600	\$3,097
Quarter- time (450 Hours)	\$3,200	\$1,638

*Income taxes, FICA and Worker's Compensation will be deducted directly from the living allowance

Members receive: a **living allowance, education award, student loan deferment/forbearance, payment of student loan interest, child-care allowance**, and full-time members receive **health coverage** at no cost. Living stipends are paid bi-weekly through the UI Payroll system on the same schedule as UI employees. Income taxes, FICA, and Worker's Compensation are deducted from the stipends.

The Segal Education Award is released after a successful completion of service meeting the minimum requirements of hours. More information about the Segal Education Award benefit can be found at

<https://www.nationalservice.gov/programs/ameri corps/segal-education-award/use-your-education-award>

Members also receive hands on experience, professional development through AmeriCorps and their site and join a national network of AmeriCorps members and alumni.

Member Activities

Members will provide direct service implementing Positive Youth Development curriculum in STEAM/Leadership, Civic Engagement, or Healthy Living based out-of-school time programming. This will be done through SPIN clubs, camps, in school enrichment, summer, and afterschool programs. Members may work directly with youth or recruit and train volunteers to work with youth. These activities may take place in a wide variety of locations including schools and community centers and partner organizations throughout the state of Idaho. Members will serve as mentors and role models, teach important life skills, and give youth positive opportunities to explore the world around them in a fun, engaging, non-formal learning environment. In addition, Members will engage new volunteers in the county programs to serve as 4-H leaders and 4-H event volunteers.

Reporting:

Members are required to report unduplicated participation of both participants and newly recruited volunteers. Members submit a weekly activity log to the State Program Coordinator as well as report total participation numbers quarterly. Some programs may also be evaluated for improvements in learning and social-emotional development when feasible.

Our goals for this program are:

- Improve engagement in STEAM subjects among underserved youth and/or
- Improve overall social-emotional development and life skills development among underserved youth

How to Apply:

If you are interested in hosting an AmeriCorps member during the 2020/2021 year, you may fill out a brief application through the following link:

<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/fcbbf77ae1a6434c90281c9cadd812d8>

Applications to host a **Full-time or Half-time** AmeriCorps Member are due by **May 8th, 2020**

Applications to host a **Quarter-time Summer** member are due **January 4, 2021**

You will be notified by within a week, with an acceptance/denial/request for more information.

Site Fee by Capacity:

Full-time	\$8,300
Half-time	\$4,267
Quarter-time Summer	\$2,100

All organizations will be billed prior to members starting their service. Fees are non-refundable even if the member quits or is terminated early.

Recruitment:

Members may be recruited locally through an application process or routed to our AmeriCorps portal to apply online. Once your position description has been approved and finalized, we will post the position in two online portals. Recruitment takes a significant amount of time and should be started as early as possible. The best candidates for AmeriCorps come from local connections, word of mouth, community members, retirees, former 4-H members and volunteers, parents, partner organizations, etc...

Additionally, all potential members are required to undergo a Criminal History Check process approved by the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS). This is a three-part process and can take 2-3 weeks to complete. Please keep this in mind when recruiting your member. Full-time & Half-time Members MUST be able to start in September 2020 in order to complete their hours on time.

For more information on how applicants can apply online through the portal, visit our website at <https://www.uidaho.edu/extension/4h/people/americorps> and navigate to the section called **Applying Through the Portal**. Applicants will follow the steps and submit the application. Applications will be reviewed by AmeriCorps Program Staff.